ALTOWARTE BOURET NUM RTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE FORM PTO-1390 (REV 10-2000) P-3027.001 TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. 5 July 1999 (05.07.99) 5 July 2000 (05.07.00) PCT/EP00/06340 System For Moving Sheet Material TITLE OF INVENTION APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US & DiGrande, S. Bianchini, A. Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/RO/US) the following items and other information: This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. This is an express request to promptly begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(5). The US has been elected by the expiration of 19 months from the priority date (PCT Article 31). A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). has been communicated by the International Bureau. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Ofice (RO/US). An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)). Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19(35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). have been communicated by the International Bureau. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. have not been made and will not be made. An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C371(c)(3)). Unsigned An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under <u>1</u>0. l PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)). Items 11 to 16 below concern document(s) or information included: (without references) An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. A FIRST preliminary amendment. A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment. A substitute specification. A change of power of attorney and/or address letter. Certificate of Mailing by "Express Mail" Other items or information: Express Mail Mailing Number EL860804554US Date of Deposit December 27, 2001 I hereby certify that this paper or fee is being deposited with International Search Report the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to the Assistant Commissioner of 2 pages Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231. Suzanne Britt

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